

Minutes
Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel
Tuesday, November 6, 2007

In Attendance:

Kevin Hooper
Paul Glauser, Staker and Parsons Companies
Brad Overmoe, Red Hanger Cleaners
Marie Marshall, Chamber East Chamber of Commerce
Mark May, May Foundry
Don Lewon, Utah Metal Works
Bryce Bird, Division of Air Quality

Tom Burrup, Salt Lake Valley Landfill
Bill Sinclair, Department of Environmental Quality
Rusty Ruby, Division of Air Quality
Jay Morris, Division of Air Quality
Greg Sorenson, Division of Air Quality
Eileen Brennan, Division of Air Quality
Renette Anderson, Department of Environmental Quality

Welcome/Approval of Minutes

Kevin Hooper welcomed CAP members and guests. Brad Overmoe made a motion to approve the minutes of the August meeting. Bryce Bird seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Introduction of New Compliance Branch Manager

As was discussed last meeting, Bryce has accepted a position as the Planning Branch Manager. Since that time, Rusty Ruby has accepted the position of Compliance Branch Manager. Rusty was originally hired by DEQ as a operating permits writer. He has also worked for the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste, as the Air Quality Operating Permits Section Manager and, most recently, as the Air Quality New Source Review Section Manager. Rusty said he was looking forward to his new position and the opportunity it would give him to work with the CAP.

DEQ-related issues in 2008 Legislative Sessions

Bill Sinclair presented a powerpoint presentation on DEQ legislative priorities. The presentation is posted at: <http://www.deq.utah.gov/CAP/index.htm#prior> . Paul Glauser volunteered to participate in any stakeholder process that threw out of the above ground storage tank interim study issue. Don Lewon asked expressed concern he had heard from his colleagues nationally about some environmental programs and encouraged Bill to make sure DEQ weighed areas “where we need to be concerned” and avoided those issues “where we are chasing our shadow.” He like what was being proposed by DEQ. His request was that Bill keep that philosophy in mind. Bill said that he agreed with it and would continue to do that.

Salt Lake Valley Landfill Gas-To-Energy Project

Tom Burrup showed a powerpoint presentation on the Salt Lake Valley landfill and the gas to energy project. (It is posted at: <http://www.deq.utah.gov/CAP/index.htm#prior>) CAP members were invited to come out to the landfill and see the operation.

Current/Upcoming MACT Requirements

Eileen Brennan walked CAP members through the table she had prepared entitled, "Summary of Recently Proposed Area Sources MACT/GACT Rules." (It is posted at: <http://www.deq.utah.gov/CAP/index.htm#prior>)

As a follow up to the discussion, Eileen also set out the following:

1) When can we expect EPA to finalize these rules?

EACH of the proposed rules we spoke about today ARE DUE to be finalized under the December 15, 2007 court-ordered deadline.

2) What is "specialty steel" in the EAF rule?

Per the definitions in the EAF rule: Specialty steel means low carbon and high alloy steel other than stainless steel that is processed in an argon-oxygen decarburization vessel.

The EPA main page for all MACTs (you can get to the Area Source rules from here in 1 click from a link near the top of this page): <http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/eparules.html>

The main page for just the Area Source rules:
<http://www.epa.gov/ttn/atw/area/arearules.html>

Nominees for Small Business Award

This year's nominees were suggested by compliance inspectors, based on their experience. Jay Morris explained they looked for facilities that were clean, had records readily available, and where the permits "meant something to the employees." Based on that criteria, 8-9 suggestions were made and he narrowed it further down to four:

The Boeing Company, 1215 North 2200 West in Salt Lake City
Alta View Concrete, 147000 West Frontage Road in Bluffdale
Salt Lake Valley Sand and Gravel, Draper
Bland Recycling, 7141 South Bacchus Highways, West Jordan

The most recent compliance reports for each company were given to the CAP.

A discussion was held on whether Boeing qualified as a small business because it is part of a larger corporation. Staff felt comfortable making the nomination because each facility/operation was dealt with as an entity. Experience has shown that

quality/approach to environmental compliance could greatly vary from one location to the next. Boeing's facility in Salt Lake City met the requirement for a small business.

Paul Glauser made the recommendation to invite all four facilities in to the next CAP meeting to be recognized. Don Lewon seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Arrangements will be made to hold a luncheon and present each company with a plaque.

Updates

Climate Work - The final BRAC report, including the Renewable Energy Initiative Report, is available online at: http://www.deq.utah.gov/BRAC_Climate/final_report.htm
The BRAC report will be formally presented to Governor Huntsman on November 9.

BRAC members are welcome to attend the upcoming meetings:

November 13 - 1:30 p.m. Western Climate Initiative Process

Discussion of the process which will be followed to perform analyses of policies, selection of BRAC policies to achieve greenhouse reduction goal, and how you can stay informed.

Western Climate Initiative website: <http://www.westernclimateinitiative.org/>

November 20 - 1:30 p.m. The Climate Registry Orientation

Learn more about The Climate Registry and Utah's involvement as a board member. Hear about the advantages to local industries and organizations who sign on as a Utah Founder. National experts will also be on hand to answer questions.

The Climate Registry website: <http://www.theclimateregistry.org/>

DEQ is finishing up a gateway website on climate work being done by the department. It will be posted at: <http://www.deq.utah.gov> . Scroll down to "Issues to Watch" and click on Climate Change.

Those with questions can call or e-mail Renette Anderson.

Regulatory Update Greg Sorenson reported that recent SBEAP activity has focused on identifying and contacting facilities effected by the proposed area source standards. He has identified and contacted about 12 foundries. He has been working on developing a contact list for auto body shops for the coating standard and has found that, due to the large numbers, he needs a database to track shops.

His experience is showing that businesses are less comfortable with cold calling than dropping in. CAP members suggested that dropping in for a site visit would be more productive and easier on the source.

Small Business Administration Advocate is requesting nominations for rules needing review. Those interested can visit the website: <http://www.sba.gov/advo/r3/>

Recent Air Quality Board activity includes:

New MACT standards promulgated since last update proposed for adoption into R307-214-1.

Updated reference to PSD, 40 CFR 52.51, incorporated by reference to CFR dated June 1, 2007. To make state equivalent to federal.

SIP 40 CFR 51.102 changes to public comment requirements.

Jul/Aug and Aug/Sep air monitoring reports are online:
<http://www.airquality.utah.gov/Air-Quality-Board/index.htm> under supporting materials for September.

Compliance Update were handed out for July and August. This information is also linked at : <http://www.deq.utah.gov/CAP/index.htm#prior>

Next Meeting

The next CAP meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 29 at 11:30 a.m. in DEQ Room 201.